

**REMARKS**

Entry of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

The original claims have been replaced by a new set of attached claims in an effort to comply with some of the issues raised by Examiner Sergeant in the parent application concerning compliance with 35 U.S.C. §112. Applicants believe that no new matter has been presented in the present amendment.

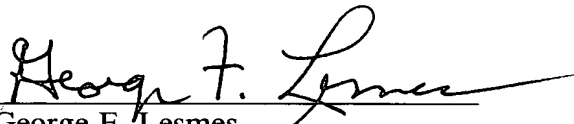
If there are any questions concerning this paper, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (703) 838-6683.

Respectfully submitted,

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